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RENEWED REQUEST UNDER 37 CFR 1.497(d)

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir or Madam:

Applicant files this renewed request in response to the Decision on Request Under 37 CFR 1.497(d) mailed by the Patent and Trademark Office (PTO) on April 25, 2002. In its decision, the PTO dismissed without prejudice Applicant's initial request under 37 CFR 1.497(d) because it felt that Applicant's declarations did not comply with 37 CFR 1.63. The decision further explained that some of the declarations appeared to be incomplete because there were more copies of pages 2 and 3 (the signature pages) than page 1.

The decision, however, did not identify the specific subsection of 37 CFR 1.63 that the declaration did not comply with. Nor has Applicant been able to identify any such subsection. Moreover, Applicant submitted more signature pages because it was virtually impossible to get the signatures of all the inventors on the same copy of pages 2 and 3 before the due date for the declaration because some of the inventors lived in different parts of the country and therefore, had to sign different copies of these pages. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully maintains that its declaration did comply with 37 CFR 1.63.

Nevertheless, Applicant encloses new copies of the declarations wherein each copy has the same number of pages. Applicant respectfully submits that the enclosed declarations address the concerns expressed by the PTO in its decision and thus, that the enclosed

declarations conform with all applicable rules. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully submits that its renewed request under 37 CFR 1.497(d) should be granted.

No fee is believed to be due for this renewed request. Should the Commissioner deem that a fee is required, however, please charge such fee to Pennie & Edmonds LLP deposit account no. 16-1150.

Respectfully submitted,

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